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### **DETAILED ACTION**

1. This office action is in response to the Amendment filed August 26, 2008.

Accordingly, claims 1, 6, 7, 13, 42, 43, 46 and 49 were amended, claims 2, 8-12, 14 and 20-41 were cancelled, and new claims 61-66 were added.

However, this amendment does not comply with 37 CFR 1.173(b), which sets forth the manner of making amendments in reissue applications.

All new claims (not found in the pattern) must be underlined.

It is also noted that new claims 51-66 were previously cancelled in the amendment filed August 09, 2007 for placing the application in condition for allowance.

A supplemental paper correctly amending the reissue application is required (see MPEP 1453).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this letter is set to expire ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this letter.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thoi V. Duong whose telephone number is (571) 272-2292. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Nelms, can be reached at (571) 272-1787.

/Thoi V. Duong/ - Primary Examiner

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